



— State of —  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*  
John Hoeven  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**LAW DAY**  
MAY 1, 2005

**WHEREAS**, Law Day is a celebration of our great heritage of liberty, justice and equality under law; and

**WHEREAS**, a jury of one's peers is a cornerstone of American democracy, and along with voting, is one of the primary ways people take part in the public life of this nation; and

**WHEREAS**, a trial by jury is guaranteed in the Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Amendments to our nation's Constitution; and

**WHEREAS**, the decisions that jurors make affect millions of lives every day and have a profound impact on our economy and our society, reinforcing our belief that people can be entrusted to make the right decision and that we are an open, democratic government; and

**WHEREAS**, juries play a central role in American life and it is important to educate our fellow citizens about the rewards and benefits of jury service; and

**WHEREAS**, all citizens of North Dakota are encouraged to dedicate themselves to preserving and strengthening our nation's jury system; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim May 1, 2005, **LAW DAY** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/  
John Hoeven  
Governor

Attest:

/s/  
Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State